

## Presentment of Indictments in the Federal Courts.

Mr. Field then proceeded with his argument. He said the relator, William M. Tweed, is confined by the defendant, as Warden of the New York Penitentiary, on Blackwell's Island, upon a commitment from the Oyer and Terminer, stating that on conviction by the verdict of a jury of misdemeanor he was sentenced on the fourth count to be imprisoned in the said Penitentiary for the term of one year and a fine of \$250. The number

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**ROBBERY IN A CHATHAM STREET SALOON.**

The whole of yesterday's session was occupied by the trial of an interesting robbery against the person and William Benson. The accused demanded separate trials and Benson was first. The complainant, William Henschel, a charged soldier, testified that at midnight on December he visited Hoysner's saloon, 164 Chatham street, and while drinking in the room the proprietor forcing took \$100 from him, and Benson, who was being bailed up, evidence was contradictory. Officer Warner, from the soldier complained of his loss, testified that while the crime was being perpetrated, he identified the men; he said that he had been drinking that night, but knew what he was talking about.

Benson testified in his own behalf, and said that never saw the complainant until he came in the policeman, and that he knew nothing of the robbery. The jury deliberated for an hour and rendered a verdict of guilty.

Assistant District Attorney Nolan stated that Assistant District Attorney Nolan stated that on Monday, and asked to have an additional bill of fifty jurors summoned.

**LARSONY.**

Edward Drumgole, who on the 5th of last month a gold watch from the person of Harry Benson, pleaded guilty to an attempt to commit burglary, and was sentenced to the State Prison for years and six months.

**TOMBS POLICE COURT.**

**THE GERMAN FORGER.**

Before Judge Smith.

Richard Siepert, a lean-looking German, was arraigned at this court yesterday afternoon to answer three distinct charges of fraud and forgery. It appears he was arrested on Thursday night by Officer Anderson, of the Fourteenth precinct, on a charge of passing counterfeit money. He readily admitted, who charged him with having on the same attempted to pass a forged check for \$47. He brought to the Mulberry street station a check for \$47, which he showed to the Central Exchange Bank. Yesterday Mr. Charles Letzinger, of 237 Bowery, identified Siepert as the person who passed the check, made up of \$42. Benson, who was charged with having on the same attempted to pass a forged check for \$47, who had nothing to say when formally examined. The prisoner is a tall, thin man, with dark hair, wearing a light blue blouse and wearing a long mustache. He held in default of bail to answer the charges referred against him.

**A LOST OVERCOAT.**

New Year's Day Mr. Frank J. Kilpatrick lost a heavy coat, valued at \$50, from the hallway o. 320 West Fifty-ninth street. He was at a loss to know how it had been taken, but trusted to the detective, "Time," to solve the mystery. A station came sooner than he had anticipated, for yesterday he learned from Detective Keal, of the Eleventh Precinct, that the overcoat had been taken. It Price acknowledged the theft to him, and was yesterday arrested by him, and on complaint of Kilpatrick committed to await trial.

**DUNLAP.**

James Bennett, Hugh Nelson and William Casey were brought to Court yesterday morning charged with burglary. They were found in the store of I. Booth & Co., and it is charged that they opened a cider barrel and abstracted by means straw a certain unknown quantity of apples therefrom. How they got into the store is a mystery. A witness, who was easily made available to explain, as it is thought that the three have been in the habit of sleeping on the premises with their heads under the counter, was called to answer at General Sessions.

**A TOUTFUL COMPLAINTANT.**

"Tim" Kennedy, a little boy aged eight years, appeared before Judge Smith yesterday afternoon. So small that the Judge could not see him behind the bar, so Sergeant Quinn lifted Tim up and told his story as follows:—"My father licked me and he nearly killed me, and I want to have him whipped. This policeman (pointing to an officer) told me that if I don't get my father to stop 'til I kill me." It appears that Timothy Kennedy, father of "Tim," is a man about forty years of age, healthy looking, and that he has been ordered to support himself he has from time to time compelled Tim and his sister to steal and beg on the street. A few days ago the boy was caught by a policeman, who was lodged unmercifully. Yesterday Tim rebelled, and for audacity he was trounced severely. Hence the toutful complaintant. The father was held in default of bail to appear at the next sitting of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children to begin operations on. The father was held in default of bail to answer the charges of assault and battery.

**MINOR CASES.**

Richard McDonough, of No. 389 Broome street, yesterday charged Michael Williams, of No. 102 East Third street, with having stolen from him \$4. Williams was held in default of \$500 bail to answer. Abraham Moses keeps a pedler's supply store at 61 Bayard street, which is the resort of many transient Hebrews. Yesterday one of these, Augustus, according to Abraham's story, yesterday tried to obtain goods without paying for them. The goods in question consisted of one pair of shoes, worth \$1.00, and a pair of socks, worth \$1.20. Augustus languishes in the Tombs, having no kind friend to go security in \$300.

**JEFFERSON MARKET POLICE COURT.**

HIGHWAY ROBBERY IN THOMPSON STREET.

Before Judge Otterbourg.

At four o'clock yesterday morning Officer Crook, of the Eighth precinct, was on duty patrolling on the highway between the corner of West Forty-second street and the corner of West Forty-third street, where he happened to come across a negro man, and he heard him cry for help from an unseen person. He pursued the negro and captured him after a brief chase. Returning to the spot he met Edward Hagan, of No. 92 Baxter street, who informed him that the negro was the man who had stolen his clock, which was found lying in the street. The prisoner, who gave his name as Charles Watts, was held by Justice Otterbourg in \$1,500 bail.

**ANOTHER HIGHWAY ROBBERY.**

About ten o'clock on Thursday evening, as Mr. Eph Hyde, of No. 430 West Forty second street, was standing on the corner of West Forty-second street, he felt a blow on the back of his head, and he received a stunning blow which felled him. He managed, however, to shout help, and his cries brought Officer Reilly, of the southern precinct, to the scene. The highway-robbers then fled pell-mell, but the attack was not made in vain. The officer followed and captured Thomas Kelly, but failed to secure his companion. Kelly was held in \$1,500 to answer a charge of exempted highway robbery.

**SSEX MARKET POLICE COURT.**

Before Judge Murray.

**AN OFT TOLD TALE.**

Alexander Porshen, of No. 225 East Forty-eighth street, appeared as complainant yesterday against a woman named Rose Stetson. After spending some time in her society he was about to take his leave when she suddenly missed his watch. He refused to demand an explanation, but Rose was so much annoyed that she threatened to sue. Porshen pursued and caught her, but did not get watch. Officer Horgan, of the Seventeenth precinct, was called to the scene, and Judge Murray set her in \$1,000 bail to answer.

**VICTIMIZING PHYSICIANS.**

James Williams, an account of whose exploits appeared in yesterday's HERALD, was arraigned yesterday before Justice Murray. He was in the office of Chief Clerk, of the Central Office. The disclosure of his arrest caused a number of complainants to appear in the court room, all of whom suffered more or less from his depredations, which seem to have covered quite a long period. John Owens, a servant in the employ of Dr. J. P. White, of 10 West Twenty-first street, complained that the Doctor's co under pretext of being ill, and, while waiting, carried off his pocket watch and jewelry. Mrs. Dr. Edes, of No. 10 West Twenty-first street, charged the prisoner with having, in other last, stolen a watch and other jewelry, and in doing so, she was supported by two victims, in behalf of Dr. J. P. White, of 10 West Twenty-first street, made affidavit to the effect that he had been victimized by the prisoner, which were taken until to-day.

The prisoner is an old offender, having already served a term in the State Prison. All the witnesses identified him by means of a peculiar scar on his forehead, and each gave evidence of different complainants, and will give each a hearing. To make sure, as far as lay in his power, the prisoner was committed to the Tombs. Williams he held him in \$1,000 bail on each separate charge.

**FIFTY-SEVENTH STREET COURT.**

Before Judge.

Ruger, of No. 55 West Fifth Street, charged, caused the arrest of Peter Gilman and another, who were charged with collecting money for the burial of a woman named Maria Martin, who was reported dead and died in desolate circumstances. They are committed for examination until other vic-

...can be heard from the accused having considerable money.

A POLICEMAN'S SPEECH.

George Flammer had before him at this court yesterday an examination into the charge of assault with a battery preferred by Officer Fraser, of the thirty-second precinct, against Samuel Hall, Daniel Conney and James Boyd.

At the trial, which took place yesterday afternoon at the last instance, it was shown that a crowd of young men were collected in a liquor saloon on the corner of Forty-fourth street and Avenue C to listen to the sweet strains of a piano, played by a well-known artist. At the time several policemen, some of whom were in uniform, entered and drank with the crowd. Officer Fraser, who is a special officer and a patrolman, remained in the saloon after his fellow-officers had left, and drank from a bottle of wine, until he finally became intoxicated. When he got into trouble with the crowd and made two ineffectual attempts to arrest one man, he was, however, rescued by the aid of a gang of two wreasters, the result of which had a slight fight. The officer avers in his affidavit that he had no other choice but to proceed in a brutal manner. They and their associates in testifying to the foregoing facts added the charge, but claimed that they only intended to prevent Fraser from continuing his rioting without reason. The officer not being present, on account of illness, the further examination was postponed for a few days.

COMMISSION OF APPEALS CALENDAR.

ALBANY, Jan. 8, 1875.

The following is the Commission of Appeals day for Saturday, January 30, 1875, No. 21, 22, 23, 24, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

A HUGE JOKE.

Explosion That Sounded Like an Earthquake.

ANOTHER GREAT SCARE.

Shock Felt at a Distance, but Unnoticed on the Scene.

One of the best jokes of the season was played thousands of people yesterday by their own imaginations. A nitro-glycerine explosion occurred on Thursday night at twelve o'clock in Paterson, a little village some seven or eight miles beyond Paterson, N. J., and about two miles from the Delaware and Lackawanna Railroad. Thousands and thousands of people heard it, and were violently aroused from their sleep, and, strange to say, while the shock was distinctly felt at Hoboken, at Paterson, at Nyack, at Spring Valley, at Passaic, at Ridgewood, at Englewood, and even in Westchester county, most of the residents of the very places which the explosion occurred did not hear the report